

These impulses are accompanied by a number of deferential emotions which are applauded by mankind as unselfish, and certainly conduce towards the comfort of the community. They are condemned by Nietzsche as the slave morals of the herd, and are, it must be confessed, not characteristic of the original geniuses to whom mankind has owed the discoveries and inventions that have been the guiding stars of progress.

REPRODUCTIVE.—We have here two imperious impulses—the generative (or sexual) instinct, and the devotion to offspring, which is strikingly illustrated by the self-sacrificing care of bees for their eggs and larvae, and the labour of birds on behalf of their young. Amongst mammals this instinct is generally concentrated in the female sex, which has developed special organs for sharing its own nourishment with its offspring. Maternal love is, perhaps, the most beautiful of all human impulses, and in many religions has been enshrined for adoration. The mystery of reproduction has, indeed, forcibly impressed thinkers of all races, and has been introduced into religious cults, with consequences that have sometimes been prejudicial to sexual morality.

When the lustful impulse runs at its strongest, it is crudely indifferent to anything but the sex of its object; so it acts upon some of the brutes

and upon degraded men. From this crude animal passion romantic love may be distilled if there are thrown into the crucible such other emotions as admiration, sympathy, and self-restraint.

These are aroused by the charms which are discovered by the intensity of a lover's gaze, lust in this fashion stimulating the birth of impulses which compete with it. In certain abnormal dispositions one of these may actually be the